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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE (AS AMENDED) )

**AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 29, 2008, please amend the above-captioned application, as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in the paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.